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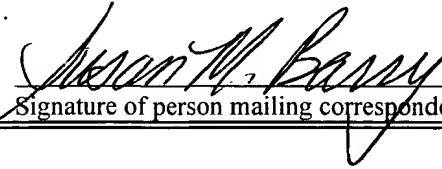
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Title: HUMAN METHIONINE SYNTHASE REDUCTASE: CLONING, AND METHODS FOR EVALUATING RISK OF NEURAL TUBE DEFECTS, CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE, CANCER, AND DOWN'S SYNDROME

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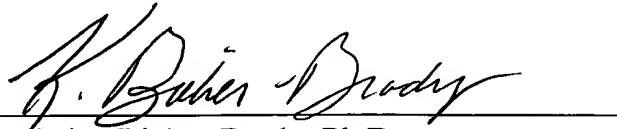
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In reply to the Examiner's action mailed August 9, 2000, Applicants elect the invention of Group I, claims 1-11, 13, 14, and 21, drawn to the embodiment of a method of treating or preventing cardiovascular disease or neural tube defects in a subject. The election is made without traverse.

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